Dear Jim, 11/17/76

This is just a reminder of what can become very important, the release to Lane and Jimmy's non-wothdrawal of it. Jimmy may think he withdrew it. Lane and DJ can easily and not unreasonably read it otherwise.

My suggestion is that you write Levi today and say that as long as you are Ray's counsel you prohibit their recognizing any release of any nature not handled through you. I'd also make some comment on not having been asked about it when they know you are the only counsel of record.

I can see these scum using each other and the release out of order of much to Mark. I think it is foolish to take any chance, no matter how slight you may think it may be. The possibilities are much too serious to run any risk.

DJ has the most serious problems in this case. They'll do what they might not in other cases if they see potential.

I'd send copies to Sheaa and the FBI FOIA/PA Unit. I'd then put xeroxes of all in an envelope and mail it to my self and not open it on receipt. On the chance the postmark may not show if possible I'd use a meter stamp.

This may all be nothing and the time may be wasted but the time is little and the risk great, regardless of the odds.

In fact, you canaddress all in a single letter and send the same one to all to save time.

I feel more strongly about this when I reflect on our meeting with Sprague today. There is nothing in it from which I can draw either comfort or hope. My suspicion is that Lane is working with Gonzalez who will do anything and as we now know has.

You are absolutely right about writing the NY bar. I'm sorry I did not press you to do this when you first had the idea. I had no idea Lane would do anything as unethical as this. We have to regard him henceforth as sicker than merely sick. This is a really insane thing over which I hope he is disbarred. I think he should be. Whether or not it happens it will have a good effect on what is going on. It should be a restraint on the Fauntroys and Gonzalezes, too. You said these things are confidential. I presume that is so far as the bar is concerned, not the one who makes the complaint. If I am wrong, consider letting me sign the complaint. I can't be hurt by the bar. And I can go public.

Hastily,